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SUBJECT: INTERVIEW WITH ROBERT ROOSA IN MOSCOW NEWS

1. APRIL 30 ISSUE OF MOSCOW NEWS PUBLISHES "EXCLUSIVE"
INTERVIEW WITH ROBERT ROOSA, IN WHICH ROOSA REFERS TO
DESIRABILITY OF FACILITATING TRADE THROUGH ESTABLISHMENT
OF SOVIET BANKING PRESENCE IN NEW YORK. ARTICLE QUOTES
ROOSA AS ADDING "GETTING THAT GOING IS ITSELF GOING TO BE
A KIND OF CATALYST THAT WILL THEN INFLUENCE SOME OF OUR
LEGISLATIVE FRAMEWORK."

2. IN RESPONSE TO INTERVIEWER'S QUESTIONS, ROOSA IS QUOTED
AS STATING THAT REPEAL OF JACKSON/VANIK AMENDMENT WILL
REQUIRE AN IMPROVEMENT IN OVERALL ATMOSPHERE. "IF WE
GET AN IMPROVEMENT IN THE TRADING SIDE, ALONG WITH A CLEAR
ADVANCE IN THE SALT, THIS COMBINATION CAN BE OF OVER-
WHELMING INFLUENCE ON THE STATE OF MIND IN CONGRESS."
ROOSA IS ALSO QUOTED AS STATING THAT BUSINESSMEN OF WHOM
HE HAS KNOWLEDGE REGARD AMENDMENT AS A NUISANCE AND FEEL
THEY WOULD BE BETTER SERVED IF IT WERE NOT THERE. ASKED
IF PART OF US BUSINESS COMMUNITY DID NOT FAIL TO UNDERSTAND
NEED TO DEVELOP US-SOVIET TRADE, ROOSA ACKNOWLEDGED SOME
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SUCH FEELING BUT STATED THAT THERE IS VERY WIDE RECOGNITION
IN US OF GREAT OPPORTUNITY FOR PROFITABLE BUSINESS.

3. COMMENT: SOVIETS SELDOM MISS CHANCE TO TRY TO QUOTE
IMPORTANT US BUSINESS FIGURES TO THEIR OWN ADVNATAGE ON
JACKSON/VANIK AMENDMENT PROBLEM AND TO SEEK TO ELICIT
IMPLIED CRITICISM OF US POLICY. IN THIS CASE, ROOSA

REALISTICALLY TIED "REPEAL" OF THE AMENDMENT TO AN
IMPROVEMENT IN THE OVERALL ATMOSPHERE ALTHOUGH HIS QUOTED
REFERENCE TO AN IMPROVEMENT IN "THE TRADING SIDE" HAVING A
GREAT IMPACT ON CONGRESS IS PUZZLING AND WE WONDER IF IT
MAY HAVE BEEN A GARBLE OF WHAT HE REALLY SAID. WE HOPE
THAT IN THESE DISCUSSIONS WITH US BUSINESSMEN SOVIETS WILL
NOT BE PERMITTED TO OVERLOOK FACT THAT FAVORABLE RESOLUTION
OF TRADE PROBLEMS ASSOCIATED WITH JACKSON/VANIK AND
STEVENSON AMENDMENTS DEPENDS IN PART ON SOVIET BEHAVIOR.
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